

## LOAN ASSOCIATION AFFAIRS WILL BE ARGUED IN COURT

Civil Suits Over Alexandria  
Failure Before Judge  
Thornton.

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ALEXANDRIA, VA., MARCH 1.

A number of civil suits incident to the failure of the Mercantile-Railway Building and Loan Association in this city over a year ago, and all presenting interesting legal phases, will be heard in the circuit court for the city, which convenes next Monday, Judge J. R. T. Thornton presiding. Probably the most important of these is that of Virginia Roxbury, brought through her attorneys, James R. and Harry B. Canton. The petitioner seeks to have set aside a decree of the court entered July 15, last, providing for the setting aside of 10 per cent of the amount collected by Douglas Stuart, the receiver for the concern, to be divided between himself and the attorneys for the company, J. K. M. Norton and Gardner J. Booth. This was to be in full settlement for their services to that date. At that time, according to the allegations filed in the bill, the report of the special commissioner appointed by the court to inquire into the firm's affairs, had not been filed, and, consequently there was no means of determining just what sum this decree would amount to. She further alleges that the attorneys appointed without her consent, as a stockholder, were not entitled to be paid out of the funds collected for the benefit of the stockholders.

Several exceptions to the report of H. Noel Garner, special commissioner, will also be argued at that time. Among these are those of the receiver, Douglas Stuart, the Second National Bank of Culpeper, J. K. M. Norton, and Howard W. Smith. Most of these refer to the failure of the special commissioner to give their claims preference in his report.

The suit of Seltzer against Tackett will also be argued at this term of court.

Arrangements for a spring festival, to be held here for about ten days, commencing April 10, were made at a meeting of Alexandria Canton, No. 1, Order of Patriarchs Militant, held in Odd Fellows' Hall last night. Several committees were appointed to further plans for this event. One petition for membership was also received.

J. Walter Hughes, of this city, trading as J. B. Hughes & Son, yesterday filed a deed of assignment in corporation court, naming G. Washington Lewis. Hughes conducts a plumbing business at 104 South Washington street. His liabilities are stated at \$1,000, and most of his creditors are Alexandrians.

Alarmed at the marked decrease in the collection of licenses in Alexandria county in the past year, a special grand jury yesterday began an examination into the matter. After one day's work that body was adjourned by the court. Many delinquents, it is said, paid up when they thought that an investigation was pending.

Judge J. B. T. Thornton yesterday re-appointed Frederick B. Graham a member of the county school electoral board.

According to the report of Nevill S. Greenaway, clerk of the court, which was filed this morning, during the month of February forty-two deeds of bargain and sale were delayed or recorded in his office. In the same period thirty-six marriage licenses were issued, thirty-three to white and three to colored couples.

The third decree of the order will be conferred upon five candidates at a meeting of Potomac Lodge of Odd Fellows to be held this evening.

The social service exhibit, now in progress at King and St. Asaph streets, was viewed by several hundred persons today. Today the affair is in charge of the Council of Jewish Women, and the entire affair is under the auspices of the Men and Religion Forward Movement.

**Kensington Man Dies  
As Result of Fall**

From injuries received by falling forty feet from a windmill on which he was working a week ago today at Garrett Park, Md., J. A. Wagner, fifty-two years old, of Kensington, Md., died this morning in the Casualty Hospital.

Wagner received fractures of both arms and both legs, and was also hurt internally. He was brought to Washington on a train and removed to the hospital where, in spite of his injuries, the physicians thought at first he would recover. Yesterday, however, there was a sudden change for the worse.

## Julia Murdock Believes Blanche Ring Has Right Idea on Stage-Struck Girls

When it comes to singing songs and giving advice to stage-struck girls, there is only one Blanche Ring. This clever young person who rode into popularity "With Rings on her Fingers and Belts on Her Toes," usually finds, when she arrives in a city, that she has accumulated a bundle of mail that would make the ordinary person gasp. These notes are from stage-struck girls who believe that Miss Ring can tell them just exactly how to proceed to become stars. Every girl who writes cherishes the belief that she has within her the divine fire that will make a successful actress. If Miss Ring will only consent to tell her how to go about it, "don't go on the stage," is Miss Ring's advice. "It's a lonely life," "Not only are you lonely," says the buoyant star of "The Wall Street Girl," but you don't do what you want. You can't sleep when you are sleepy; you can't eat when you're hungry; you can't have a home and children; you can't have your own way about anything when your feminine heart wants its way about every thing; you can't live the traditional gay life and live long; in fact, you can't do anything but live for your art. I tell you, the housekeeper, the mother, the wife, with her live stock to look after, her children to feed, her duties to perform, raise, the girl who stands behind the counter in the department store, the newspaper woman, in fact, every woman, who does any sort of work, has nothing on the actress, or even the chorus girl, when it comes to work.

### Few Chorus Girls Become Real Stars.

"Few girls work up from the chorus to be stars or leading women, but even if a girl does work up to the universal goal of being a star, it is a lonely life. She must live in hotels most of the time, and some of these hotels are none too good. It is difficult for her to find congenial company, she must be so careful. She must refuse practically all the invitations she receives to dine, wine and joy-ride, and she has time and energy only for her art, that is, if she is of the ambitious kind."

"I am not excepting chorus girls. Many people have an impression that the chorus girl lives a life of revel. That is erroneous and unjust. More than likely the chorus girl is sending money home to mother or little sister. A few who may try the so-called gay life do not last long. They cannot stand the pace. Nobody can. In nearly every large company, will be found a few 'peace disturbers,' and because of them a person outside may believe that all chorus girls are leading a gay life, but those girls are greatly in the minority. Then, too, the idea that chorus girls always marry millionaires is erroneous. It is a pleasant dream, for, while occasionally a chorus girl captures a millionaire for a husband, so does the stenographer, the typewriter operator, the girl in the department store, and even the chambermaid."

"The girl who wishes to make a success on the stage must live entirely for her work," continued Miss Ring. "She can't eat as much as she wants, and often must forego the very things she likes. Potatoes will make her too fat, and lobster will spoil her complexion. She may not eat sweet things, because they, too, will ruin her figure and spoil her complexion, and there you are. I myself would like to take a nap every afternoon, but I can't, for if I do I spoil my voice for the evening, and I would be dull and lack magnetism. An actress has little home life, and love with her is secondary. The average woman, therefore, the one who longs for these things I have mentioned, would better stay where she is, for she would never be happy on the stage."

### Ambitions of Youth Are Merely Dreams.

Speaking of ambition, Miss Ring continues in a philosophical vein: "The ambitions of your youth are dreams, more or less, and only occasionally do dreams come true. We all want to be in heavy tragedy when we start out in life. We don't want to play simple, but beautiful, roles, for which a wise Providence equipped us. We want to stalk across the stage and win the audience's heart. We want sympathy, we want the middle of the stage, all the applause and the spot-

light, from the cradle to the grave, and if we don't get it we complain bitterly of Fate, and blame Destiny for being a bad stage manager. Now, we can't all start in tragedy. The stage would be cluttered up with stars, and the audience would get so tired and bored it wouldn't know whether it was having its heart wrung or not, and would care less.

"Well, the people who could't star are not satisfied to take the hint and try light comedy and other roles. No, they have made up their minds that tragedy is their forte and they gradually accept their fate and permit themselves to be called failures."

"I use the stage for the sake of comparison. It doesn't make any difference if you are a newspaper reporter, an actor, a furniture mover, or a street sweeper. Failure is yours if you accept it and don't try something else, at which you could succeed."

JULIA MURDOCK.

### Clarendon School League Will Meet

The School Improvement League, of Clarendon, Va., of which Mrs. Richard McCann is president, will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Clarendon school building this afternoon. The league has presented the school with a large filter for the purification of drinking water.

Judge Thornton, of Alexandria county court, has appointed Dr. Robert Yates as coroner for Jefferson district, and Dr. Richard Burton for coroner of Arlington district, and re-appointed Dr. Ashton as coroner and physician for the Alexandria county jail.

### Moore Lecture Tonight.

Dr. R. B. Moore will deliver a lecture on "Radioactivity" at the Cosmos Club under the auspices of the Chemical Society of Washington tonight at 8 o'clock. The lecture was postponed from last night owing to a conflict of dates at the club.

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## MRS. CASHELL TO BE BURIED TOMORROW NEAR HER OLD HOME

Funeral Services for Well-  
Known Woman to Be Held  
At 10:30, o'clock.

ROCKVILLE, Md., March 1.—Funeral services for Mrs. Sarah Cashell, wife of Gustavus F. Cashell, a prominent farmer of the vicinity of Lay Hill, this county, will be held at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning at the Cashell home. Burial will be in Union Cemetery, near Rockville.

Mrs. Cashell's death was due to an affection of the heart, with which she had been ill a long time. She was seventy-five years old, and is survived by her husband, three sons, and a daughter. She was a daughter of the late James Shaw and a sister of George Shaw.

L. C. Graham, of Washington, is scheduled to appear before Justice Reading in the police court here today to answer a charge of violating the automobile regulations of the State by not having Maryland license numbers for 1912 displayed on his machine. He was held up on the Rockville and Georgetown pike, near Bethesda, by W. A. Brooke, automobile deputy of Sheriff Howard, with whom he deposited collateral to the amount of \$25 for his appearance in court today. It was the first arrest in this county this year for such an offense.

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this county, were married in Rockville by Rev. S. R. White, of the Baptist Church, the ceremony taking place at the residence of the bride in the presence of a few friends and relatives of the couple.

Deputy Sheriff Walter Shaw, of Glen Echo, yesterday arrested Albert Perry, of the Glen Echo neighborhood, on a warrant charging him with the abduction of Gertrude Royce, seventeen years old, also of the Glen Echo vicinity. He was brought before Justice Reading in the police court here and required to furnish \$200 bail for his appearance for a hearing March 6. Attorney John A. Garrett is his counsel.

Robert Dove, seventy-five years old, died a few days ago at his home, near Rockville, of paralysis, of which he had been ill about ten days. He was unmarried. The funeral took place from the Methodist church at Potomac, burial being in the cemetery near the church.

Charles Diggs, colored, who is in jail here charged with the murder of Louise Dorsey, colored, at Glen Echo Wednesday afternoon, will be tried at the March term of court, which begins here March 18.

### Bundy to Give Decision In Church Case Tomorrow

The legal rights and wrongs in the factional fight in Christ Episcopal Church parish will be decided when Judge C. S. Bundy hands down his ruling tomorrow noon in the replevin action tried before him yesterday in Municipal Court. The question of title to the ninety rifles of the Boys' Brigade that were replevied after Congressman James Berry had refused to turn them over to the brigade officers, will be settled by Judge Bundy's decision.

Counsel for Vestryman Berry produced correspondence at the hearing yesterday afternoon to show that Major Richard Sylvester, of the Metropolitan Police Department, holds the vestry of Christ Church responsible for the arms.

### Recital for the Blind.

A song, recitation, and piano recital will be given in the reading room for under the auspices of the Congress of tonight at 8 o'clock by A. Claire D. Murray, E. Louise Patterson, Catherine G. Grady, Alice J. Concklin, and G. Francis Germulder.

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